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In Compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 290 and/or 15 U.S.C. § 1116 you are hereby advised that a court action has been filed in the U.S. District Court \_\_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Marshall Division \_\_\_\_\_ on the following \_\_\_\_\_ Patents or \_\_\_\_\_ Trademarks:

DOCKET NO. 2:07-cv-252	DATE FILED 6/18/2007	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern Marshall Division						
PLAINTIFF		DEFENDANT						
LG ELECTRONICS, IN	C.	HITACHI, LTD., FUJITSU HITACHI PLASMA DISPLAY, LED., HITACHI AMERICA LTD., AND HITACHI HOME ELECTRONICS (AMERICA), INC.						
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK						
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DAVID J. MALAN	D, CLERK	DEPUTY CLERK DATE 6/18/2007						

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LG ELECTRONICS, INC.,

Plaintiff,

HITACHI, LTD., FUJITSU HITACHI PLASMA DISPLAY LTD., HITACHI AMERICA LTD., and HITACHI HOME ELECTRONICS (AMERICA) INC.,

Defendants.

Civil Case No. 2 - 0 7 C V - 2 5 2	
JURY TRIAL DEMANDED	,

#### COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiff LG Electronics, Inc ("LGE") brings this action for patent infringement against

Defendants Hitachi, Ltd., Fujitsu Hitachi Plasma Display Ltd., Hitachi America Ltd., and Hitachi

Home Electronics (America), Inc. (hereinafter, individually and collectively, "the Hitachi

Defendants") and hereby alleges as follows:

#### **PARTIES**

- Plaintiff LG Electronics, Inc is a foreign corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of Korea with its principal place of business at LG Twin Towers, 20 Yeouido-dong, Yeoungdeungpo-gu, Seoul, 150-721, South Korea. LGE designs, makes, and sells many different products world-wide for consumer use including personal computers, mobile telephone handsets, DVD recorders and players, washing machines, and, most relevant here, plasma display TVs. LGE is the owner of record of the patents involved in this action
- 2. On information and belief, Hitachi, Ltd. ("Hitachi") is a foreign corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan with its principal place of business at 4-6 Kanda-

Surugadai, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-8010, Japan. Hitachi is a large entity involved in the design, manufacture, use, sale, importation and/or distribution of a wide-range of consumer electronics products including the plasma display products accused of infringement herein

- On information and belief, Fujitsu Hitachi Plasma Display Ltd ("FHPD") is a foreign corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan with its principal place of business at 1815 Tajiri, Kunitmoi-cho, Higashimorokata-gun, Miyazaki, Japan. On information and belief, defendant Hitachi is an owner of defendant FHPD. FHPD designs, manufactures, uses, sells, imports, and/or distributes plasma display products accused of infringement herein.
- 4. On information and belief, Hitachi America Ltd. ("Hitachi America") is a New York corporation with its principal place of business at 2000 Sierra Point Parkway, No. 9, Brisbane, California Upon information and belief, Hitachi is a direct owner of Hitachi America. Hitachi America designs, manufactures, uses, sells, imports, and/or distributes plasma display products accused of infringement herein.
- 5 On information and belief, Hitachi Home Electronics (America), Inc. ("Hitachi Home Electronics") is a California corporation with its principal place of business at 900 Hitachi Way, Chula Vista, California Upon information belief, Hitachi is a direct or indirect owner of Hitachi Electronics Hitachi Home Electronics designs, manufactures, uses, sells, imports, and/or distributes plasma display products accused of infringement herein

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

6. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the patent laws of the United States, including 35 U.S.C. § 271. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a) because this action arises under the patent laws of the United States, including 35 U.S.C. § 271 et seq

- 7. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the Hitachi Defendants because each does business in Texas and in this judicial district and/or has infringed or caused infringement in Texas and in this judicial district.
- 8. The Court has personal jurisdiction over the Hitachi Defendants because each has established minimum contacts with the forum and the exercise of jurisdiction over them would not offend traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice. On information and belief, the Hitachi Defendants knowingly and intentionally participate in a stream of commerce between, for example, Japan and the United States with a portion of such stream including sales of plasma display televisions and products (hereinafter the "accused PD products") that embody the system, practice the method, and/or produce the product covered by one or more claims of patents owned by LGE, as asserted in greater detail hereinafter. By way of example, the accused PD products include those ultimately sold and/or offered for sale within this judicial district under the Hitachi brand name such as, for example, plasma display TVs with model No.

  55HDS69. In accordance with established distribution channels for the accused products, the Hitachi Defendants reasonably anticipated that accused PD products would end up in this district and be sold therein.
  - 9 Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C §§ 1391 and 1400(b)

#### THE LGE PATENTS-IN-SUIT

10. LGE is the owner by assignment of all right, title, and interest in and to United States Patent No. 7,053,559 ("the '559 patent"), entitled "Method and Apparatus for Driving Plasma Display Panel." The '559 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") on May 30, 2006

- 11. LGE is the owner by assignment of all right, title, and interest in and to United States Patent No 7,071,622 ("the '622 patent"), entitled "Plasma Display Panel." The '622 patent was duly and legally issued by the USPIO on July 4, 2006.
- 12. LGE is the owner by assignment of all right, title, and interest in and to United States Patent No 7,109,951 ("the '951 patent"), entitled "Method and Apparatus for Driving Plasma Display Panel" The '951 patent was duly and legally issued by the USPTO on September 19, 2006.

## **COUNT 1 – INFRINGEMENT OF THE '559 PATENT**

- LGE realleges and incorporates herein by reference the allegations in paragraphs
   1-12 above
- The Hitachi Defendants are directly infringing, contributing to the infringement of, or inducing others to infringe the '559 patent by, for example, making, using, offering to sell, or selling the accused PD products within, or importing the accused PD products into, the United States, or inducing others to make, use, offer to sell, or sell the accused PD products within, or import the accused PD products into, the United States.
- As a result of the Hitachi Defendants' unlawful infringement of the '559 patent,

  LGE has suffered and will continue to suffer damage. LGE entitled to recover damages adequate
  to compensate for that infringement
- 16. The Hitachi Defendants' acts of infringement herein have been made with full knowledge of LGE's rights in the '559 patent. Such acts constitute willful and deliberate infringement, entitling LGE to enhanced damages and reasonable attorney fees.
- 17 The Hitachi Defendants' acts of infringement have caused and will continue to cause irreparable injury to LGE unless and until enjoined by this Court

### **COUNT 2 - INFRINGEMENT OF THE '622 PATENT**

- 18. LGE realleges and incorporates herein by reference the allegations in paragraphs
  1-17 above
- The Hitachi Defendants are directly infringing, contributing to the infringement of, or inducing others to infringe the '622 patent by, for example, making, using, offering to sell, or selling the accused PD products within, or importing the accused PD products into, the United States, or inducing others to make, use, offer to sell, or sell the accused PD products within, or import the accused PD products into, the United States.
- As a result of the Hitachi Defendants' unlawful infringement of the '622 patent,

  LGE has suffered and will continue to suffer damage LGE entitled to recover damages adequate
  to compensate for that infringement
- Ihe Hitachi Defendants' acts of inftingement herein have been made with full knowledge of LGE's rights in the '622 patent Such acts constitute willful and deliberate inftingement, entitling LGE to enhanced damages and reasonable attorney fees.
- 22. The Hitachi Defendants' acts of infringement have caused and will continue to cause irreparable injury to LGE unless and until enjoined by this Court.

#### COUNT 3 - INFRINGEMENT OF THE '951 PATENT

- LGE realleges and incorporates herein by reference the allegations in paragraphs1-22 above.
- The Hitachi Defendants are directly infringing, contributing to the infringement of, or inducing others to infringe the '951 patent by, for example, making, using, offering to sell, or selling the accused PD products within, or importing the accused PD products into, the United

States, or inducing others to make, use, offer to sell, or sell the accused PD products within, or import the accused PD products into, the United States

- 25. As a result of the Hitachi Defendants' unlawful infringement of the '951 patent,

  LGE has suffered and will continue to suffer damage LGE entitled to recover damages adequate
  to compensate for that infringement
- The Hitachi Defendants' acts of infringement herein have been made with full knowledge of LGE's rights in the '951 patent Such acts constitute willful and deliberate infringement, entitling LGE to enhanced damages and reasonable attorney fees
- 27 The Hitachi Defendants' acts of infringement have caused and will continue to cause irreparable injury to LGE unless and until enjoined by this Court

## JURY DEMAND

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff LGE demands a jury trial on all issues so triable

# PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Wherefore, LGE prays that this Court:

- Enter judgment that the Hitachi Defendants have infringed the '559, '622, and'951 patents;
- (2) Permanently enjoin the Hitachi Defendants and their officers, agents, employees, representatives, successors and assigns, and any others acting in concert with them, from infringing the '559, '622, and '951 patents;
- (3) Award LGE damages resulting from the Hitachi Defendants' infringement adequate to compensate for that infringement, including pre- and post-judgment interest as allows by law;
  - (4) Award LGE treble damages as a result of Hitachi's willful infringement;
- (5) Award LGE its costs in this action, declare that this case is an exceptional one under 35 U S.C. § 285, and award LGE its reasonable attorney's fees; and
- (6) Award LGE such further, necessary and proper relief as this Court may deem just and reasonable

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